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4 VESTER L. PATTERSON,
5 Petitioner,
6 v.
7 WARDEN CHANCE ANDES,
8 Respondent

9 Case No. 5:25-cv-02819-EJD (PR)
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ORDER OF TRANSFER

12 Petitioner, who is currently confined at the San Quentin Rehabilitation Center, filed
13 a pro se petition for a writ of habeas corpus under 28 U.S.C. § 2241, challenging his
14 confinement without an “adjudication of guilt” in state court. Dkt. No. 1.

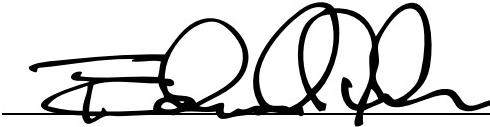
15 Venue for a habeas action is proper in either the district of confinement or the
16 district of conviction, 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d). Federal courts in California traditionally have
17 chosen to hear petitions challenging a conviction or sentence in the district of conviction or
18 sentencing. See Habeas L.R. 2254-3(b)(1); Dannenberg v. Ingle, 831 F. Supp. 767, 768
19 (N.D. Cal. 1993); Laue v. Nelson, 279 F. Supp. 265, 266 (N.D. Cal. 1968). Here,
20 Petitioner is challenging his conviction out of Los Angeles County. Dkt. No. 1 at 2. Los
Angeles County lies within the venue of the Western Division for the Central District of
California. See 28 U.S.C. § 84(c). Therefore, venue properly lies in that district and not in
this one. See 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).

21 This case is hereby TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the
22 Central District of California. See 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a).

23 The Clerk shall terminate all pending motions and transfer the entire file to the
24 Western Division for the Central District of California.

25 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

26 **Dated:** March 31, 2025

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EDWARD J. DAVILA
United States District Judge